

Maryland



Weekly Crop and Weather Report

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Rains, beginning Thursday and through the weekend, have replenished **soil moisture** but are now in excess in some areas. This was critical for **corn**, which has just started tasseling. **Wheat** harvest has been delayed due to heavy rains as well as double crop **soybean** planting. Reporting observers noted that some portions of fields are underwater currently. There were **4.7 days suitable for field work**.

Fruits are currently reported to be in mostly good condition. **Apples** were rated 1 percent fair and 99 percent good. **Peaches** were rated 1 percent poor, 7 percent fair, 88 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.

Pastures are in generally good condition with 3 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 11 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** are 5 percent very short, 17 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 1, 2007

Item	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	Average 2002-2006				
	Percent							
Vegetables Planted								
Green Peas	34	-	14	21				
Potatoes	25	-	14	13				
Fruits Bloomed		-						
Peaches	9	-	10	7				
Strawberries	23	-	9	6				

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 1, 2007

	Topsoil Moisture			Subsoil Moisture		
Condition by Percent	This	Last	Average	This	Last	Average
	Week	Week	2002-2006	Week	Week	2002-2006
Very Short	1	-	-	1	-	-
Short	11	-	-	5	-	-
Adequate	81	-	-	86	-	-
Surplus	7	-	-	8	-	-

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 1, 2007

	Precipitation ¹		Temperatures				
Weather Station	Total this week	Total Since Jan 1	Departure from Normal Since Jan 1	High	Low	Average	Departure from Normal
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Baltimore/Washington Airport	0.00	8.77	-0.88	82	32	55	7
Frederick	0.00	8.41	-0.09	81	30	53	10
Frostburg	0.15	9.22	-1.13	74	29	52	11
Hagerstown	0.01	4.74	-3.52	82	32	54	8
Mechanicsville	0.04	9.07	-1.86	86	29	54	5
Patuxent River	0.02	7.37	-2.24	85	32	55	6
Ocean City	0.00	8.18	-3.65	86	35	53	4
Salisbury	0.02	10.25	-1.13	83	24	53	5
Sharpsburg	0.00	8.86	0.36	83	27	52	9
Stevensville	0.00	9.24	-0.79	89	34	56	7
Washington, DC (Reagan National)	0.00	7.93	-0.76	83	39	57	7
Delaware							
Dover	0.00	7.19	-3.04	82	32	53	5
Georgetown	0.00	9.13	-1.80	83	32	53	7
Wilmington	0.00	9.99	0.51	83	33	54	8

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.

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